

El alfabeto en español <http://users.ipfw.edu/jehle/courses/alfabeto.htm>

| Letra | Nombre | Comentarios |
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| a | a (ah) | |
| b | be, (beh) be, be de burro, be grande | Be and ve are pronounced exactly the same, so identifiers such as de burro/de vaca are often added to distinguish between them. |
| c | ce (ceh) | |
| *ch | che | Ch is no longer considered a separate letter of the Spanish alphabet. |
| d | de (deh) | |
| e | eh | |
| f | efe | |
| g | ge (heh) | |
| h | hache (acheh) | |
| i | i, i latina | I and y are pronounced the same, so the tag griega is almost always used with y ; latina is sometimes used with i for purposes of clarification. |
| j | jota (hota) | |
| k | ka | K is only used in words borrowed from other languages, such as kilo . |
| l | ele | |
| *ll | elle (ehyeh) | Ll is no longer considered a separate letter in the Spanish alphabet. |
| m | eme | |
| n | ene | |
| ñ | eñe (enyeh) | |
| o | o (oh) | |
| p | pe (peh) | |
| q | cu | |
| r | ere (ereh) | |

*rr erre (ereh)

Rr has never been classified as a separate letter of the Spanish alphabet, but this form has often been used to distinguish the double **r** from the single one.

s ese (eseh)

t te (the)

u u (ooh)

v ve, ve de vaca, ve chica

w ve doble, u doble, doble ve,
doble u, uve doble

W is only used in words borrowed from other languages such as “waterpolo”.

x equis

y y griega (Greek ee sound)

z zeta (ceta)

Some notes about pronunciation:

Vowels are almost always pronounced just as follows, with the annoying exception of when they are in a diphthong* (two verbs, positioned next to each other, that form a combined sound rather than being pronounced separately).

*See links on the “References” page for more information about diphthongs.

Vowel pronunciation: a = ah, e = eh, I = ee, o = oh, u = ooh, y = ee (y griega-vs I latina is a way to distinguish i from y when spelling a word out loud for somebody). All vowels are pronounced, for example mole is pronounced moleh.

H is always silent

J is pronounced as h in English

LL is pronounced like the y in “young” and also can sound like jeh in many Spanish speaking countries (Argentina and Colombia, for example)

Z is always pronounced like an s. There is no zzzz sound in Spanish.